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PAIR OF BOLD HIGHWAYMEN.

Two Men Held Up by Them on Massachusetts
Avenue, Near the Center of the City.

W. F. Wayman, of No. 166 Yandes street,
was assaulted Christmas morning, at 2:30
o'clock, on Massachusetts avenue, near
New Jersey street, by two young men,
whose evident purpose was robbery. They
seized him by the arms, and were about to
ransack his pockets, when he succeeded in
wrestling himself from their grasp. He was
considerably scratched about the neck.
Patrolmen Conklin and Kerns met him in
his flight, and learned his story. While
searching for the robbery, they met another man who had
met the fellows and had experienced the
same thing. He had escaped by slipping out
of his rubber coat and taking to flight.
The officers started off in the direction the
highwaymen had taken, but did not learn
the name of the second victim. Their chase
was fruitless.

BURNED HIS COAT OFF.

One Santa Claus Who Had a Narrow Escape
from a Horrible Death.

Mr. Werner, clerk of the Circle Park
Hotel, on the Circle, narrowly escaped a
serious accident Christmas eve, when per-
sonating Santa Claus for the children of
the household. In "making up" a match
was lighted in order to cut a burnt stump
with which to line the face. In some way
the cotton about the great coat came in
contact with the match and began to burn
rapidly. Mr. Werner succeeded in throwing
off the coat in time to save himself from
injury. The incident cut short the
programme, but not the number of pres-
ents.

Fire of a Day.

A house on a farm belonging to Simon
Yandes, four miles northeast of town,
burned yesterday at 11 o'clock. It was oc-
cupied by John H. Sperrert. The loss was
\$500.

An incipient blaze in the paint-shop of
the Parry Cart Company was discovered
yesterday in time to be extinguished with-
out loss. A still alarm was sounded.
Fire in an out-house in the rear of No. 295
East Ohio street, caused an alarm last night
from box eighty-one. The loss was trivial.
Some careless boys are responsible for the
mischiefs.

New hat-racks at Wm. L. Elder's.

HAVE A QUEER IDEA OF FUN

Young Men and Women Who Are in
Journalism for Health and Pleasure.

Annual Meeting of the Western Amateur Press
Association—Officers Elected—Banquet at
the Denison in the Evening.

The eleventh annual convention of the
Western Amateur Press Association was
held at the Denison yesterday afternoon,
and about twenty-five members were pres-
ent. President Samuel J. Steinberg, of this
city, was in the chair. The main business
of the meeting was the changing of some
parts of the constitution and the election of
officers. The usual list of essays, and
poems, and short stories that is usually
presented was dispensed with, and the
session altogether did not last over three
hours. The morning session, from 10 to 11,
was devoted to overhauling the constitu-
tion, the most important change being
that of empowering the president
to remove any member who fails to con-
tribute some sort of original work every
three months. At 1 o'clock the amateurs
journeyed to have their photographs taken.
The treasurer will hereafter be required to
furnish bond for the faithful performance
of his office. The attention given to the of-
ficial paper of the association, The Western
Amateur, during the past year has resulted
in bringing about a marked improvement in
the character of that organ. The following
officers were elected to serve during the
ensuing year: President, Samuel J. Stein-
berg; first vice-president, Stuart L. White;
second vice-president, Stella Truman; cor-
responding secretary, Charles Lloyd;
recording secretary, Alfred J. Robinson;
treasurer, Arthur Barker; official editor,
Theodore B. Thiele. The next meeting
will be held at New Orleans, next Decem-
ber.

During the afternoon session a Young
Woman's Press Association was organized,
with these officers: President, Rose B.
Steinberg, of Indianapolis; vice-president,
Ida L. Harting, of Indianapolis; secretary
and treasurer, Flora Herr, of Westville,
Ind.; official editor, Harriet C. Cox, of Ab-
ington, Mass. The next convention of
this branch will be held in Boston.

DIDN'T STRIKE BILLY PATTERSON.

Harris Denies and It Still Remains a Mystery
—Wanted the Charge Changed.

George Harris is a well-known character
who is constantly in trouble, owing to a
weakness for drink. His good nature per-
mits of some imposition, but this is usually
in a playful spirit. He was picked up in
his usual condition on East Washington
street by patrolman Asch, and sent to the
station-house, yesterday morning. By
evening he was nearly sober and wanted
to know what he had been doing.

"You were arrested for assault and bat-
tery with intent to kill," said one of the
station-house attaches, in a mock serious
tone.

"That?" gasped George, turning a shade
paler. "It's a lie. Who says I hit any-
thing yesterday except a bottle?"

The officers said you struck Billy Pat-
terson—hit him with a brick between the
eyes."

"Billy Patterson is a liar if he says I hit
him. I didn't do nothing of the sort. I
don't know Patterson, or anyone by that
name. Just bring him here and I will face
him."

His denial leaves the question of who
struck Billy Patterson still unanswered.
George promises to take the pledge for a
year if released this morning in the Police
Court.

To his credit it is said he has been
industriously at work since last in the
work-house.

Eugene Malone is another one of the
chronic police cases owing to drink. Judge
Buckirk recently released him on his tak-
ing the pledge for a year. His second na-
ture, however, downed his good resolu-
tions, and he was again arrested in a bo-
tled state. When he became sober enough
to realize his surroundings, he called Turn-
key Taff and said:

"For G-d's sake, Al, make that charge
anything but drunk—I took a pledge the
last time in court. Make that charge
read anything I don't care what, so it ain't
a drunk."

The desperation of the entreaty led the
turnkey to quiet him with an "all-right."
In a short time Malone called to know if
the change had been made and to what it
had been changed. He said to the turnkey,
"said the turnkey, who had not, of
course, heeded the entreaty. A look of
black astonishment and protest flashed
over the prisoner's face."

"No, no," he cried, "don't make it that.
I ain't no thief. They will send me to the
penitentiary. No change it back again. I
guess I had better plead guilty to a drunk
and take the consequences."

Of course, he was accommodated.

\$200 PER WORD.

John M. Butler Given Probably the Highest-
Rated Fee Ever Paid for Legal Advice.

It is not often a piece of legal advice costs
\$200 a word, but yet this recently happened
in this city. Not long ago Mr. Morris But-
ler, son of John M. Butler, who had just ar-
rived home from an evening party at 2
o'clock in the morning, heard a carriage
drive up to the house, and, a moment later,
answered a ring at the door-bell. A young
man, of handsome face and energetic man-
ner, entered, without being invited.

"What States can cousins legally marry
in?"

"I don't know," said Mr. Butler, as soon
as he could recover from the effects of his
visitor's bluntness. "But I will ask father."

He went up stairs, and, after much knock-
ing, aroused his father.

"Father," said he, "what States can con-
sins legally marry in?"

"Kansas," was the single word in re-
sponse, between what sounded suspiciously
like a sneer.

"Mr. Butler returned down stairs.
"Well, what does he say?" asked the vis-
itor.

"Kansas," replied young Mr. Butler, la-
conically.

"Thank you!" The door was closed, and
the young visitor was gone.

Nothing further was thought of the in-
cident until yesterday's mail brought Mr.
Butler a certified check for \$200 for "legal
advice" from his hitherto unknown cousin.
This is probably the highest rate
per word ever paid for legal advice. It di-
vides into \$100 per syllable and \$33.33 per
letter.

Amusements.

There will be matinees at all the city
theaters this afternoon and concluding per-
formances by the respective attractions to-
night, viz: "The Still Alarm" at the
Grand, "Evangeline" at English's and
"Dan'l Boone" at the Park.

Miss Julia Marlowe's engagement at the
Grand the first three nights of next week
promises to be a notable one, and deserv-
edly so at that, for, in her particular line
of stage work, she is foremost. Her sup-
porting company this season is the best she
has had, and special scenery is carried for
the production of her plays. "Cymbeline"
is to be given Monday night, "The Hunch-
back" Tuesday, "Romeo and Juliet"
Wednesday matinee, and a double bill

"Rogues and Vagabonds" and "Pygmalion
and Galatea," Wednesday night. Seats are
now on sale.

The Park's attraction next week will be
the strongest it has had this season. Oliver
Byron appearing there in "Across the Con-
tinent" and "The Plunger."

Mr. Charles Gardner, a German dialect
comedian of unusual talent, is underlined
for English's the first part of next week in
"Captain Karl," a play that gives him ex-
cellent opportunities.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

The Minnet Club will give a dance this
evening at Brenneke's academy.

Mr. Frank Hardcastle, of Chicago, is a
guest with his family at Mr. Brown's, on
Lincoln avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Cort Ewing, of Greensburg,
are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Claude Matthews.

Miss Lucy Holliday, Miss Katharine
Stewart and Miss Annie Hasselman are
home for the holidays.

Mrs. R. W. Medkirk was called to Cin-
cinnati last Thursday on account of the
death of her grandfather.

Miss Bishop, of Kentucky, is here to spend
the winter with Mrs. John F. Ramsey, at
her home, on North Illinois street.

Mr. Robert Reid, who has recently lo-
cated at Kansas City, is here to spend a
few days with his brother, Mr. Samuel
Reid.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Ayres will entertain
young people Wednesday evening for their
son, Mr. Frederick Ayres, who is home
from Yale.

Miss Gertrude Butler, of Central avenue,
will go to Noblesville, Monday, for a few
days measure, as the guest of her cousin,
Miss Nelly Wilson, Wilson Place, who is
home from Oxford College for the holidays.

Miss Ellen Fletcher, daughter of W. R.
Fletcher, will leave to-day for Palo
Alto, Cal., to join her sister, Miss Lucy
Fletcher, who holds a position in the corps
of instructors in the Leland Stanford Uni-
versity.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Wright enter-
tained a few friends very delightfully last
evening at Dr. H. K. Allen's North Dela-
ware street. The farce "The Albany
Depot," by W. D. Howells, was presented
by Mr. and Mrs. Wright and their friends.
The ball-room is arranged with a complete
stage for private theatricals, and it was taste-
fully fitted up for the presentation of the
play. There was an orchestra for the or-
chestration and music for the dance which fol-
lowed. The Christmas night entertain-
ment was small and informal, and
thoroughly enjoyed by the favored few.

The Christmas party which was given
yesterday at the Propylaeum for children
of sixteen years of age and under, was a
great success. The directors placed the
management of the party in charge of an
entertainment committee, and all the de-
tails were admirably arranged. The whole
building was open for the occasion. The
east parlor was for the reception, and
here the ladies of the committee, assisted
by Miss Adams, Miss Pinner, Miss Tauda,
Miss Moore, Miss Leaders, Misses Maloit,
Miss Elizabeth Ketchum, Misses Adams,
Miss Hasselman and Miss Adele Wallick,
welcomed the young guests and their
chaperones. In the west parlor there was
a clear space, and games were played, some
of the children who did not dance partici-
pating. The chief attraction, however,
was the assembly hall, where, with Mr.
Brenneke as director, and Hart's orchestra
of five pieces for music, most of the com-
pany spent their time in their water, the
Yorke, the Oxford minuet and other
dances in which they take great de-
light. The hall was like a perpen-
dicular motion flower-garden. The daintiest
gowns of soft china silk in red, blue, yel-
low, white, green, pink, lavender, with
hues and shades of pastel, and
them one shade from too, or perhaps
a combination of tints would give variety
to the dress, and the daintiest
movements, together with the evident en-
joyment of every child, made a scene of
great beauty. The ladies who assisted in
the west parlor, and the ladies who as-
sisted in the ball-room, and here Misses Elizabeth
Lyons, Carra Atkins, Hattie Cleland, Amelia
Hendricks, Katharine Stewart, Sarah Wil-
liard, Georgia Hunt, Amelia Gaudin, Lillie
Reese, Bertha Fahney, Norma Hollweg,
Mary Sloan, Misses Holman, Florence Day,
and Pearl Landers, helped to helm
sets and find partners. Substantial
refreshments were served in the
dining-room at 5 o'clock. The com-
mittee was assisted here by Mrs. Wig-
gins, Miss Davidson, Miss Laura Bingham,
Miss Fredonia Allen, Miss Anna Allen,
and Mrs. Cathart. About 6 o'clock young
men and maidens of more than sixteen
years attended and remained several hours,
the music being supplied after 8 by a pianist.
The party was so much enjoyed by the
little folks that the children will have
at each year, if not on Christmas day,
some time during the holiday vacation.

MARTINSVILLE.

Mrs. Benjamin Cooper is at Bloomington.

Miss Ida Cooper has gone to Spencer to
spend the remainder of the winter with her
grandparents....Elder Z. T. Sweeney,
United States consul at Constantinople,
spent a few days here and delivered a
lecture on his travels in the old world.

Miss May McClintock, of Carmi, Ill., spent
last Sunday with Miss May Davis....Mrs.
Hutton, of Richmond, spent Sunday with
Indianapolis friends....Mr. and Mrs. Cur-
tis, of Vernon, Miss Bigger, of Dayton,
Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Martin, of Kansas City,
are visiting Mrs. Martin at her home.

Mrs. S. M. Mitchell, of this city....Mrs. C.
Hill spent Monday at Mooresville....Com-
modore Milton, of Richmond, Va., is in
on Saturday and Sunday, the guest of F.
E. McCallan....Dr. A. L. Engle and fam-
ily will leave for Sedalia, Mo., next week.
They will be here for a few days.

Mr. Mitchell, who returned from Cin-
cinnati, where he has been visiting his
son, J. Horace Mitchell....Mrs. C. B. Harold
is visiting in Bensenville.

Lola Bales, of Heltonville, is visiting
friends in the city....Miss Sue Smock,
of Southport, is visiting her sister, Mrs.
Gravie.

VINCENNES.

Miss Katie Dugan is visiting in Indian-
apolis....Miss Mae Leonard, of Plymouth,
in the city, the guest of Miss Carrie
Winters....Miss Camille Spring will spend
the holidays at Grayville, Ill....Mrs. W.
R. Potter will leave Sunday for a visit to
a visit to her mother....Mr. and Mrs.
Wilson, Mr. Tyler and Mrs. Sallie Cox, are
visiting in Kansas City....Miss Edna
Martin will spend the holidays at Sumner,
Ill....Miss L. Emison, of Bruce-
ville, is visiting in this city....Mrs.
St. Louis....Miss Sada Fairhurst is home
from Lexington, Ky....Miss Laura Higbee
is visiting Mrs. William Kahn, Jr., at
Franksville, Miss Eva Underhill, of Cin-
neapolis, is visiting Miss Jayne Greene....
Mrs. Fanny Curry, of Lawrenceville, Ill.,
is visiting in this city....Mrs. Minnie
Crews and daughter have returned to Okla-
homa City.

CREGG—BAIRD.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MORRISTOWN, Ind., Dec. 25.—Frank Cre-
ggor, a prominent young man of this place,
and a member of the present class of the
Indiana Medical College, and Miss May
Baird were married last evening, at the
parlor home in Lewisville, Ind. A recep-
tion was tendered them to-day at this place,
by the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John
son.

MILLER—NUTT.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENCASTLE, Ind., Dec. 25.—Mr. Paul
H. Miller and Miss Marie Nutt, both of the
class of '90 of DePauw University, were
married at 1 p. m. today. The bride and
groom were accompanied by their parents.
They took the noon train for St. Louis,
and will spend their honeymoon in that
city.

Hon. H. C. Duncan.

Hon. Henry Clay Duncan and son, F. C.
Duncan, of Bloomington, are registered at
the Denison. Judge Duncan gave Con-
gressman Cooper a close race at the polls
as the Republican candidate in 1888. He is
a lawyer of much ability, but still retains
a great interest in politics.

The Burns Were Quiet.

The police slate showed the city to be
unusually quiet yesterday. The arrests
were of intoxicated men whose debauch
had before the night had not gone home
at all, but slept where they fell until
the officers found them. A few loiterers
were arrested.

POSTOFFICE GUIDE.

A Pamphlet That Tells All About Mailing Let-
ters and Their Delivery.

The guide of the Indianapolis postoffice
is out, and contains all the information
relative to the postal laws, the delivery of
mail, opening and closing of mails, arrival
and departure of trains, etc. A list of
the postage-stamp agencies in the
city, twenty-eight in all, is given, together
with general information regarding the
penalty of evasion of payment of postage,
postal crimes, lottery infractions and
how to correct errors by loss or accident.

A tabulated schedule of the prices of
stamped envelopes is of interest to
the business man who wishes
to economize in wholesale purchases. A
list of the foreign countries comprising
the Universal Postal Union is given, and
the cost of postage and nearest mailing
station to cities in those countries. A se-
parate list of the hour of closing the mails
for Indiana towns includes nearly every
town in the State. The book concludes
with the usual general information regard-
ing city, box, and special deliveries, money
order department and registry division. A
fine portrait of Postmaster Thompson
forms a fitting introduction to this useful
little book.

Disappearance of D. D. Hendricks.

O. D. Hendricks, of No. 33 College ave-
nue, left his home Thursday morning, and
has been missing since. The police have
been notified to send him home, if found.

Solicitors' Attention.

The best life insurance company is the com-
pany which does the most good, and this is the
company you should represent for the year 1892.
If you are at liberty to contract with the
Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York,
with cash assets of over \$100,000,000, the
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Christmas Goods.

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NOTE: All previous records were eclipsed Thursday. Our store was literally besieged. We cannot afford to maintain the present prices long, but we'll let the fun continue one day more and if there are any of the good people of Indianapolis who failed to get in Thursday (or who found it impossible to get waited on) they can attend the "picnic" to-day. The opportunity is yours and you'll save regrets if you take advantage of it. To-day positively ends the greatest slaughter sale that Indianapolis has ever seen.

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